

## **Truth**

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The concept of truth is being challenged more and more in our present society. Many deny that there is any truth at all. Some believe that all truth is relative and is determined by individual preferences. These notions of truth are easily refuted.

What is truth? **Truth is that which conforms to reality as God defines it.** In John 14:6, Jesus stated, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." Also, He declared before Pilate, "Thou sayest that I am a king, To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice" (John 18:37). The word **truth** signifies that body of knowledge revealed by the God of heaven that is absolute, reliable, constant, unchanging, irrefutable, incontestable, unarguable and eternal.

Where is truth found? "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth" (John 17:17). God's word is truth!

What can truth accomplish? "And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free" (John 8:32). Truth is the means of obtaining freedom from false ideas and false ways. The truth saves from the servitude of sin. Consider Paul's words, "For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe" (I Thess. 2:13).